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This is the sixteenth issue of the Faith and Community-Based Loop. The FCB Loop is a list serve that will send out biweekly email updates with postings of upcoming conferences, information, grants and funding opportunities, trainings, seminars, and workshops that would be of interest to Faith and Community-Based organizations. Please send any upcoming information about conferences, grants and funding opportunities, trainings, seminars, and workshops to louisa.lichtman@servealabama.gov to be published in the FCB Loop.

Conferences

- **“Preparing for the Good Times and For the Bad”**
Nonprofit Resource Center of Alabama (NRCA)
An all-day conference for nonprofit leaders, staff, and volunteers. Topics covered include: business continuity planning, disaster and crisis communications, the role of the board during a crisis, employee moral following a crisis, data preservation, and resource development strategies following natural disaster.
Tuesday, June 20, 2006; 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Mobile, Alabama
Costs \$50
http://www.nrca.info/training/mobile_conference_homepage.asp
- **“Building a More Effective Board”**
Nonprofit Resource Center of Alabama (NRCA)

This workshop will provide discussion and tools to build a more effective board governance process. Specifically board assessment and governance as leadership will be explored. Board self-assessment is based on the concept that a board of directors should periodically assess and reflect on its performance in carrying out key board responsibilities. Governance as leadership suggests the need for boards to become adept at the three modes of governance -- fiduciary, strategic and generative -- to become effective leaders.

Wednesday, June 21, 2006; 9:00 am to 11:30 am

NRCA Offices in Birmingham

Fee: \$25/ NRCA Members and \$50/NRCA Nonmembers

http://www.nrca.info/training/workshop_profile.asp?wid=376

- **Safe and Sound Children's Conference**
"Keeping Children and Families Safe Through Sound Emergency Practices"
June 27-29, 2006
Sheraton Hotel, Birmingham
<http://138.26.144.80/websites/SCCPHP/default.asp?ID=105>

Trainings, Seminars & Workshops

- **Hurricane Evacuation Shelter Training**
American Red Cross volunteer training for Hurricane Shelters at community colleges. Lunch will be provided. No pre-registration is necessary.

Wednesday, June 7, 2006; 10am-3pm

Bishop State Community College; Yvonne Kennedy Auditorium; Baker-Gaines Center Campus; 1365 Dr. Martin Luther King Avenue; Mobile, AL
251-690-6416

Friday, June 9, 2006; 10am-3pm

Jefferson State Community College; Fitzgerald Student Center; Auditorium
400; 2601 Carson Road; Birmingham, AL
205-856-7754

Monday, June 12, 2006; 10am-3pm

Calhoun Community College; Aerospace Building Auditorium Summerville;
6250 US Highway 31 N; Tanner, AL
256-306-2666

Monday, June 19, 2006; 10am-3pm

Gordon Persons Auditorium; 50 Ripley Street; Montgomery,
AL
334-242-2926

Tuesday, June 20, 2006; 10am-3pm

Alabama Southern Community College; 2800 So. Alabama Avenue;
Monroeville, AL
(251)575-3156 EXT 223

Tuesday, June 27, 2006; 10am-3pm

Wallace State Community College; James C. Bailey Center Auditorium , 801
Main Street NW; Hanceville, AL
256-352-8138

- **Do You Want to Help When a Disaster Strikes? Become a Volunteer**
“An Introduction to the Salvation Army Disaster Services”
Saturday, June 17, 2006; 9:00am to 1:00pm
Salvation Army Corps; 114 14th St SW, Decatur, Alabama, 35601
Free
[5x7Flier.pdf](#)

General Information

- **Fight Terrorism, Register for PUSH Now**
Security personnel and public officials go to the PUSH website and click: Obtain Username & Password
PUSH, the *Portal to Uphold a Secure Homeland* system, was funded by the US Department of Homeland Security and developed by the Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center and the Alabama Department of Homeland Security.
<https://pushweb.alacop.gov/>
- **Free Pamphlet Focuses on Program Replication**
The pamphlet Published by Public/Private Ventures: Replicating Social Programs describes the rationale for replicating effective social programs.
http://www.ppv.org/ppv/replication_expansion/replication_expansion.asp
- **“The National Nutrition Safety Net: Tools for Community Food Security”**
USDA’s Food and Nutrition Service
To help program providers, public officials, anti-hunger advocates, coalitions, and individual volunteers overcome barriers to making the nutrition assistance programs available to all of those eligible in their local communities.
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsec/Resources.htm>
- **Neighborhood Revitalization Celebrated**

During NeighborWorks Week, local NeighborWorks organizations mobilize tens of thousands of volunteers, businesspeople, neighbors, and civic leaders in a week of neighborhood change and awareness. Volunteers repair homes, paint and landscape properties, conduct neighborhood tours, and recognize successful partnerships. A number of educational events and training activities will be held across the U.S. during National NeighborWorks Week, June 3-10, 2006.

<http://www.nw.org/network/neighborworksProgs/nww/default.asp>

- **Two Food Stamp Program Outreach Tool Kits**

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service

➤ Video entitled "Community Hunger Champions: Helping People Eat Right When Money's Tight"

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/outreach/tool-kits.htm>

➤ The "10 Myths and Facts About Food Stamp Benefits" is now available on-line in Spanish and English

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/outreach/tool-kits.htm>

Grants and Funding Opportunities

***Note: Grants and Funding Opportunities will now be sorted into categories: Community Development & Housing, Emergency Preparedness & Response; Education & Arts; Health; Human Services; Substance Abuse/ Mental Health; Youth & Eldercare; Foundations; and Resources.

Community Development & Housing

- **Community Awareness & Outreach Prevention of Family Violence**

Department of Health & Human Services; Administration for Children and Families

Five to ten awards averaging around \$75,000 per project period

Applications are due by June 11, 2006

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-ACYF-EV-0126.html>

- **Compassion Capital Fund Demonstration Program**

ACF will award funds to experienced organizations to deliver capacity building services to faith-based and community organizations through the provision of training, technical assistance, and sub-awards. Intermediary organizations will assist faith-based and community organizations with capacity building activities in five critical areas: 1) leadership development, 2) organizational development, 3) program development, 4) revenue development strategies, and 5) community engagement.

Up to 10 awards totaling \$5 million

Applications are due by June 19, 2006.

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-OCS-EJ-0035.html>

- **Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Program**
U.S. Department of Justice
The Weed and Seed strategy aims to prevent, control, and reduce violent crime, drug abuse, and gang activity.
Notice of Intent must be postmarked by June 29, 2006
<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ccdo/ws/2007guideln.html>
- **Grants Promote Golf for the Disadvantaged**
The United States Golf Association (USGA) awards grants through its "For the Good of the Game" Grants Program in an effort to make golf more affordable and accessible. Grant awards are directed to instructional programs, caddie or other work-based curricula, and the construction of facilities that make the game more affordable and accessible as well as teach individuals the life values inherent in the game.
Applications are due July 7, 2006
<http://www.usga.org/aboutus/foundation/grants/grants.html>
- **Hope VI Main Street Grants**
HUD
The purpose of this program is to provide grants to small communities to assist in the rehabilitation and new construction of affordable housing in conjunction with an existing program to revitalize an historic or traditional central business district or Main Street Area.
Award ceiling is \$500,000
Applications are due July 10, 2006
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppld=8976&mode=VIEW>
- **Assets for Independence Demonstration Program**
Administration for Children and Families Office of Community Services
This grant awards funds to assist low-income people in becoming economically self-sufficient. Project participants are taught about economic and consumer issues and establish matched savings accounts called Individual Development Accounts (IDA) in order to save for a first home, a business, or higher education.
Up to 60 awards totaling \$18 million
Applications are due July 18, 2006
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-OCS-EI-0053.html>
- **Arson Prevention**

The FM Global Arson Fund supports fire departments and other public agencies throughout the work involved with the fight against arson by providing seed money to assist the development of arson prevention and control programs.

Applications are accepted throughout the year.

http://www.fmglobal.com/about/facts/arson_grant_program.asp

Emergency Preparedness & Response

- **Alabama Citizen Corps**

The goal of Alabama Citizen Corps is to make communities in Alabama resistant and resilient to disasters through citizen preparedness. On Monday, June 12, the request for proposals for the FY06 Citizen Corps grants will be released. Each jurisdiction will structure a community action plan by selecting four or more initiatives from a provided list of citizen preparedness initiatives. The grant awards will range from approximately \$10,000 to \$30,000. Funding for Citizen Corps comes from the United States Department of Homeland Security through the Alabama Department of Homeland Security.

For more information, please go to www.servealabama.gov and click on "State Funding Resources" after Monday, June 12th.

Applications are due by the close of business on Monday, July 10th.

- **The AmeriCorps State Disaster Grant**

The Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives Notice of Funding Availability: AmeriCorps State Disaster Grant, deadline to submit is July 14, 2006. Complete Application Instructions are available at www.servealabama.gov, State Funding Resources.

This funding is available to organizations for development and implementation of a 3 Year State AmeriCorps Program that will engage members in the multiple phases of emergency preparedness, response and recovery.

- **The Emergency Response and Crisis Management Grant Competition**

To improve and strengthen schools' emergency response and crisis management plans.

Estimated average size of awards is \$100,000 for small districts (1-20 school facilities); \$250,000 for medium-sized districts (21-75 school facilities); and \$500,000 for large districts (76 or more school facilities).

Applications are due June 22, 2006

<http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/announcements/2006-2/051106a.html>

- **Humana Foundation Katrina Relief Fund to Provide Healthcare Grants**

The Humana Foundation Katrina Relief Fund, a donor-advised fund of the Foundation for the Mid South will consider proposals that focus on improving healthcare access and outreach in the Gulf Coast region, with particular attention to projects that reduce the current high level of dependence on emergency-room care or the restoration of technology services to ease the problem of lost medical records.

Grant awards will be for a minimum of \$10,000 each

Application deadline is July 1, 2006

http://www.fndmidsouth.org/Humana_Fund.htm

- **Grants Program to Assist Congregations of All Faiths Rebuild Their Houses of Worship**

The Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund – Interfaith Grant (BCKF-IG) will provide faith institutions damaged by Hurricane Katrina with funding up to \$35,000 for capital repair and construction of their houses of worship. Up to \$4,000 of the total grant can be used to cover rental costs of a temporary location for the congregation. Up to \$5,000 of the total grant can be allocated as an administrative stipend for the clergy leader to manage the proposed repair and construction project.

Completed applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis beginning April 10 through July 31, 2006.

<http://www.bushclintonkatrinafund.org/>

- **A Special Fund for Hurricane Katrina Disaster Assistance**

The Arnold P. Gold Foundation is offering grants of up to \$5,000 for service projects in any locale where there is a substantial need for assistance to victims of Hurricane Katrina. Such projects may include direct medical aid to evacuees or non-medical assistance to both victims and those adversely affected by this disaster. Examples might include providing healthcare information to displaced persons in shelters, or counseling assistance to overstressed relief workers, or instituting social and educational programs for small children.

Proposals will be considered on a rolling basis through 2006.

<http://humanism-in-medicine.org/cgi-bin/htmos.cgi/04202.1.5750774146319301812>

Education & Arts

- **Grants for Public School Teachers**

Jordan Fundamentals Grant Program

Grants in the amount of \$2,500 each are given to 400 recipients.

Applications are due June 15, 2006

<http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26&item=jordan>

- **Humanities Initiatives for Faculty at Historically Black Colleges and Universities**

National Endowment for the Humanities

Up to \$30,000 in outright funds for projects serving a single institution; regional or multi-institutional programs may receive awards of up to \$75,000.

Applications are to be received by June 23, 2006

<http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/hifacultyhbcu.html>

- **Big Read Accepting Applications for Community-Wide Reading Program**

National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services aims to revitalize the role of literature in American popular culture and introduce its transformative power into the lives of ordinary Americans. Participating organizations will select a book from the program's list and produce a highly participatory community-wide read with innovative and diverse programming between January 2007 and June 2007. Grants will generally range from \$10,000 to \$20,000 and require a match of at least one-to-one with non-federal funds.

Applications are due September 12, 2006

<http://www.neabigread.org/about.php>

Health

- **National Resource Centers on Older Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians**

AoA Center for Wellness and Community Based Services

AoA will fund two cooperative agreements under this competition. Each Center will be funded at a federal share of approximately \$341,995 per year

The deadline date for submission of applications is June 30, 2006

http://www.aoa.gov/DOINGBUS/fundopp/announcements/2006/Attachment_1325.doc

Human Services

- **VA Grant/Per Diem Program- Capital Grant**

Only programs with supportive housing (up to 24 months) or service centers (offering services such as case management, education, crisis intervention, counseling, etc.) are eligible for these funds. The program has two levels of funding: the Grant Component and the Per Diem Component.

Applications are due June 14, 2006

<http://www1.va.gov/homeless/page.cfm?pg=3>

- **Compassion Capital Fund Targeted Capacity Building Program**

Department of Health & Human Services; Administration for Children and Families

The Targeted Capacity Building Program will focus on capacity building among organizations addressing the following programmatic service areas: help for at-risk youth; help for the homeless; marriage education and preparation services to help couples who choose marriage for themselves develop the skills and knowledge to form and sustain healthy marriages; or social services to those living in rural communities.

Up to 300 awards totaling \$15,000,000

Applications are due by June 23, 2006

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-OCS-IJ-0036.html>

- **Coordination of Tribal TANF and Child Welfare Services to Tribal Families at Risk of Child Abuse or Neglect**

Eligibility is limited to Indian tribes and Alaska Native regional non-profits that administer a Tribal TANF program or a consortium of two or more Indian tribes that administers a Tribal TANF program.

These grants must be used for one or more of the following statutorily-prescribed uses: (1) to improve case management for families eligible for assistance from a Tribal TANF program; (2) for supportive services and assistance to tribal children in out-of-home placements and the tribal families caring for such children, including families who adopt such children; (3) for prevention services and assistance to tribal families at risk of child abuse and neglect.

Up to 19 awards totaling \$1,550,000

Applications are due by June 23, 2006

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-OFA-FN-0131.html>

- **Low Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC)**

The purpose of this program is to support programs informing individuals whom English is a second language about their tax rights and responsibilities. Estimated total program funding: \$6 million

Applications are due by July 7, 2006 by 4:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppld=9378&mode=VIEW>

- **Presbyterian Hunger Program**

Grants support efforts in the following five program areas: Direct Food Relief, Development Assistance, Public Policy Advocacy, Hunger Education and Interpretation, and Lifestyle Integrity. The proposed activities should benefit poor people, especially women, racial-ethnic persons, or other disadvantaged groups, and those benefiting should be involved in the planning and implementation of these activities.

Applications are due July 15, 2006

<http://www.pcusa.org/hunger/grants.htm>

- **Community Service Block Grant Training & Technical Assistance Promoting Healthy Marriages Grant**

Offices of Community Services will fund the creation and dissemination of "promising practice" technical assistance materials in supporting healthy marriages among clients as part of an overall strategy to help low-income people achieve family and child development, and/or self-sufficiency goals. 4 to 6 awards totaling \$400,000

Applications are due July 17, 2006

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-OCS-ET-0043.html>

- **Responsible Fatherhood and Healthy Marriage Research Initiative Grant**

The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation will fund evaluation studies of program services that promote responsible fatherhood through services that encourage and support healthy marriages between low-income parents. 2 to 4 awards totaling \$1,000,000

Applications are due by July 17, 2006.

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-OPRE-OJ-0090.html>

Substance Abuse & Mental Health

- **Women's Mental Health in Pregnancy and Postpartum Period**

The National Institutes of Health encourages research on perinatal mood and other mental disorders in four areas: (1) clinical course, epidemiology and risk factors; (2) basic and clinical neuroscience; (3) interventions; and (4) services.

Size and duration of each grant will vary.

Applications are due July 1, 2006

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-376.html>

Youth & Eldercare

- **Minority Health Youth Empowerment Grant Program**

It is intended to test community-based interventions on reducing risky behaviors among targeted minority youth. These demonstration grants require a multi-partner approach involving institutions of higher education, primary and secondary schools, community organizations and institutions, and the community at-large.

Anticipated 23-29 awards for approximately \$5.8 million

Applications are due June 15, 2006

https://egrants.osophs.dhhs.gov/egrants/home_frame.htm

- **Infant Adoption Awareness Training Program**

The Administration on Children, Youth and Families will award grants, in the form of cooperative agreements, to adoption organizations for the purpose of developing, adopting or adapting a training curriculum, and then implementing and evaluating Infant Adoption Awareness Training Programs (IAATP).

Funded projects will train the staff of eligible health centers in providing adoption information and referrals to pregnant women on an equal basis with all other courses of action included in nondirective counseling.

Up to 10 awards totaling \$9,000,000

Applications are due by July 24, 2006

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-ACYF-CG-0120.html>

- **Partners in Program Planning For Adolescent Health**

This Initiative contributes to the improvement of adolescent health, safety and well being by promoting a multidisciplinary, comprehensive adolescent health agenda among professionals who work with adolescents and their families.

8 awards totaling of \$8 million in funding

Application deadline is June 26, 2006; 5:00 pm EST

<https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId=FC9AE007-1379-438E-8C70-2C29C340CE3A&ViewMode=EU&GoBack=&PrintMode=&OnlineAvailabilityFlag=&pageNumber=&version=&NC=&Popup=>

- **A Brighter Future for Children and Youth**

United Methodist Women funds programs for children 5 to 18 years of age in the areas of peacemaking, anti-abuse, and nonviolence. Types of projects funded should have significant involvement of women and youth at the grassroots level; demonstrate the ability to raise additional funds from other sources; provide direct, comprehensive services to young people; promote respect for and appreciation of racial/ethnic diversity; and cultivate spiritual life and values.

Grants are up to \$10,000 for projects

Applications are due July 1, 2006

http://gbgm-umc.org/umw/BFCY/index_eng.cfm

- **The Influence of Religiosity and Spirituality on Health Risk Behaviors in Children and Adolescents (R03) Grants**

The Department of Health & Human Services solicits research studies that are qualitative, quantitative, and combined methods; that examine the mechanisms, mediators, and moderators by which religious and spiritual beliefs develop and are transmitted across generations; and whether and how these beliefs influence early sexual behaviors and alcohol or other drug use that may facilitate the transmission of HIV in children and adolescents.

A project period of up to two years and a budget for direct costs of up to two \$25,000 modules, or \$50,000 per year, may be requested (i.e., a maximum of \$100,000 over two years in four modules of \$25,000 each).

Applications are due by July 1, 2006

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-402.html>

- **Compassion Capital Fund Communities Empowering Youth Program**

The ACF will award funds to build the organizational capacity of experienced organizations and their partnering faith-based and community organizations to better meet the needs of America's disadvantaged youth. The lead faith-based or community organization (lead organization) will assist its faith-based and community partners through technical assistance and training in four CEY critical areas: 1) leadership development, 2) organizational development, 3) program development, and 4) community engagement.

100 three-year grants will be awarded for a total of \$30 million

Applications are due July 10, 2006

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2006-ACF-OCS-IC-0141.htm>

- **Support for Programs Serving Rural Seniors**

Cooperative Development Foundation: Mutual Service Cooperative Fund

The average General Grant awarded typically totals \$20,000 or less; however, General Grants actually awarded have ranged from \$500 to \$100,000. Scholarship grants typically average \$500 to \$1000.

Applications are due July 28, 2006

http://www.cdf.coop/msc_fund/index.htm

- **Baseball Tomorrow Fund**

A joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association to promote the growth of baseball and softball throughout the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, and the purchase of uniforms and equipment to encourage and maintain youth participation in the game.

The average grant amount is \$51,000

Letters of Inquiry are accepted throughout the year.

http://mlb.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/mlb/official_info/community/btf.jsp?content=about

- **Seed Grants for Youth Projects**

The Youth Venture Grant Program provides grants to young people (ages 12 to 20) who have a dream or identify a need in their school or community, develop an idea and then, with a team, launch their own community-minded organizations to address that dream or need. Each venture team must have an Ally - a caring adult who advises the team.

Grants of up to \$1,000 are provided to help launch the organization.

Applications are accepted throughout the year.

<http://www.youthventure.org/index.php?tg=articles&topics=43&new=0&newc=0>

Foundations

- **Alabama Power Foundation**

To improve the quality of life of Alabamians and to strengthen the communities in which they live.

Grant requests for \$50,000 or more are considered quarterly (March, June, September and December) by the board of the foundation. Requests for more than \$10,000 and less than \$50,000 are considered monthly by a grant review committee. Grant requests for less than \$10,000 are reviewed weekly.

<http://www.southernco.com/alpower/foundation/guidelines.asp>

- **“For The Good of the Game” Grants Promoting Golf for the Disadvantaged**

USGA grants empower organizations that introduce the game to people who would otherwise not have the opportunity, specifically kids from economically disadvantaged backgrounds and individuals with disabilities. Grant awards are directed to instructional programs, caddie or other work-based curriculums, and the construction of facilities that make the game both more affordable and accessible as well as teach individuals the life values inherent in the game.

Applications are due July 7, 2006

<http://www.usga.org/aboutus/foundation/grants/grants.html>

- **Microsoft Unlimited Potential Grants**

Grants provide Community-Based Technology and Learning Center (CTLIC) organizations with funding to support technology training programs ranging from learning basic computer skills to using advanced business productivity applications. Donations of cash, software, curricula, and technical expertise enable individuals to learn about technology and gain the information technology skills needed for employment in the IT field or other industry sectors.

Funding decisions are made in March and October of each year.

<http://www.microsoft.com/citizenship/giving/programs/up/grants.asp>

- **National Credit Union Foundation**

The Foundation provides grants to credit unions and related organizations in the following three areas: Access to Affordable Financial Services, which awards grants to help credit unions provide low-cost loans, check-cashing, and other needed services for people of low- to moderate-income; Education and Financial Literacy, which supports programs that help people become educated consumers of financial services; and Savings and Asset Accumulation Funding, which assists credit unions with their programs for homeownership, savings plans, and other asset-building products.

Applications are due June 30, 2006

http://www.ncuf.coop/render_site.asp?sectionpath=4/29

- **NASDAQ Stock Market Educational Foundation**

The mission of the Foundation is to promote learning about capital formation, financial markets, and entrepreneurship through innovative educational programs.

Letters of Inquiry are due August 1, 2006

http://www.nasdaq.com/services/education_initiatives.stm
- **Norman Foundation**

The Foundation's specific areas of interest include civil rights, environmental justice, and economic justice.

The remaining deadlines for 2006 are July 14 for civil rights requests and November 15 for environmental justice requests.

<http://www.normanfdn.org/>
- **Radio Shack StreetSenz Community Grant Program**

To strengthening the American way of life by helping families protect their children from abduction, violence, and abuse.

Grants up to \$500

Applications must be postmarked by June 15, 2006

<http://www.radioshackcorporation.com/cc/contributions.html>
- **UPS Foundation**

Support is primarily provided to national programs in the following categories: 1) Human Welfare, helping those struggling with systemic effects of illiteracy, hunger, poverty, and homelessness; and 2) Educational Programs, including academic research, programs that raise the level of educational instruction, family learning opportunities, and school involvement projects.

Applications are accepted at any time.

<http://community.ups.com/philanthropy/main.html>
- **Wal-Mart Foundation**

The Community Grant Program is the largest program funded by the Foundation and includes both matching and direct grants. The Matching Grant program allows nonprofit organizations to hold fundraisers outside their local Wal-Mart or SAM'S CLUB. Wal-Mart and SAM'S can elect to match a portion of the funds raised up to \$1,000. Additionally, once a local store has met certain criteria in the Matching Grant Program each year, a second source of funding, direct grants is awarded to the store for use in the community.

<http://www.walmartfoundation.org/wmstore/goodworks/scripts/index.jsp>

Resources

- **Grant Writing Tools for Non-Profit Organizations**
Non-profit guides are free web-based grant-writing tools for non-profit organizations, charitable, educational, public organizations, and other community-minded groups.
<http://www.npguides.org/index.html>
- **Grantproposal.com**
A site devoted to providing free resources for both advanced grant writing consultants and inexperienced nonprofit staff.
<http://grantproposal.com/>
- **Developing a Powerful Grant Proposal: A Step-by-Step Tutorial**
18-part series that covers the entire spectrum of grant proposal development. This series offers step-by-step tutorials, checklists, worksheets, and samples to help guide proposal development. The series will help novice grant writers understand each segment of the process, as well as provide more experienced grant writers with new ideas about how to approach grant writing.
http://www.grantstation.com/Public/News_Views_px/trackstosuccess.asp

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